

WOULD WORK CONVICTS ON UNCULTIVATED LAND

Italians Will Hold Mass-Meeting to Protest Baldi's Leadership Here

OTHER CITY NEWS BRIEFS

Unproductive land in different parts of Pennsylvania could be cultivated by prisoners now confined in the Eastern State Penitentiary, according to a statement made today by Warden Robert McKenty.

The American Prison Association, which has just finished its conference in Washington, has started a movement to use 10,000 convicts to work on farms under Federal supervision.

"If I am given the proper authority," said Warden McKenty, "I will turn over to the United States next Monday night 100 prisoners who will cultivate some of the unproductive land that is lying around here in Pennsylvania. And the persons who reside near the unproductive land need have no fear of the convicts being near them."

To Depose Baldi as Leader

Italians in Philadelphia who are opposed to the pre-eminence of Chevalier C. C. A. Baldi as leader of their compatriots in this city are planning a protest mass-meeting to be held next Monday night.

Women Attack Policeman

Several women delivered a serious attack on Policeman Monaghan, of the Second and Christian streets station, when he knocked down Julius Barnoski, of 730 South Fourth street, with the butt of his revolver.

Booze No Excuse for Autoist

Drunkenness will not be accepted as an excuse for motor accidents while Magistrate Watson is presiding at the Central station in City Hall.

Goes to Jail in Heart Balm Suit

Henry P. Rayfield is today in Moyamensing Prison as the result of not furnishing \$600 bail as defendant in a breach of promise of marriage suit.

Money Pours in for Red Cross

That Philadelphia's \$3,000,000 Red Cross fund has been handsomely oversubscribed and is being swelled each day was the gist of an announcement made today by members of the campaign committee.

Sailor Who Died in Hotel Identified

The body of a sailor who died at the Prospect Hotel, 427 Race street, yesterday morning, has been identified as that of Thomas W. Smith, of the U. S. S. Bushnell.

Tuberculosis Victim Dies at Station

Frederick Kohler, 29 Baldwin street, Manayunk, died in the Reading railway station at Manayunk yesterday afternoon.

Fireman Wounded in Fight With Sailor

John Commesky, a fireman on the U. S. S. Minneapolis, is in the Methodist Hospital as a result of a fight with Glen C. Reed, of the U. S. S. Davon, who attempted to follow Reed into a house at Oregon avenue and South Isenminger street.

Negro Killed in 15th Street House

William Hampton, a negro of 330 Burns street, was killed in a house at 847 North Fifteenth street yesterday.

Tugboat Damaged by Fire

The tugboat George D. Murray was badly damaged by fire while moored to the De Frain sand wharf at the foot of Berks street yesterday.

EVANGELISTIC MEETING

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NEW SECRETARY TAKES UP CHARITY WORK HERE

J. Byron Deacon Begins Duties by "Studying His Job"

ACTION IS PRESSING NEED

J. Byron Deacon, who successfully co-ordinated organized charity in Pittsburgh, took up his new duties as general secretary of the Philadelphia Society for Organizing Charity today.

The new secretary said he would not "scram any Pittsburgh doses down Philadelphia's throat," however, for he distinctly asserts that each city has its own problem and has to be treated as a civic individuality.

"Charitable agencies are not expending their very best energies in pulling together," says Mr. Deacon. "Curiously enough, they are pulling apart. It is my policy not to claim anything for the particular agency that I represent which every other fair-minded group is not willing to concede."

"The work of organized charity, particularly in times like these, gets down to the fundamentals of life. It is hard to keep food in empty bellies and shelter over heads in spite of soaring prices. An expert in that line has to have a very substantial fund of commonsense and a disposition to play absolutely fair and in the open with all the other groups working to the same humanitarian ends."

"I feel that the bricklayers among groups engaged in charitable work, not especially in Philadelphia, but the country over, are going to be ended by the war, for the reason that the contributing public is going to show a very prompt intolerance of the application of effort to anything but the ends of human helpfulness for which such agencies exist."

In answer to an inquiry as to his plan of work in this city, Mr. Deacon said: "I am going to do what every man does on a job that has big business problems connected with it. I am going to study the job. I am going to know the workers, of whom there is a large number."

"I can't waste much time doing that, however, because the pressing need is to find out how the society can fit in to the general community preparedness to meet the war needs. These times of prosperity bring special problems of their own to the poor. For example, desertion, non-support and intemperance have operated to produce acute poverty and suffering more in these past months of industrial prosperity than during the industrial oppression of a few winters ago."

"Then, too, there is the rising cost of living, which more than offsets the increase in wages. People are getting higher wages than ever before in their lives, but that

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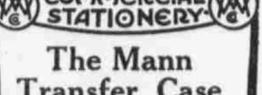
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OLD CHRISTMAS TREE CELEBRATES FOURTH OF JULY IN BLAZE OF GLORY

Hot With Indignation at Lying Neglected for Six Months, or Filled With Ardent Patriotism, It Bursts Into Flames

All day a sad old Christmas tree lay on a vacant lot on Ludlow street between Fifty-first and Fifty-second streets and brooded over its fate. Six months and a little more ago it had been popular. Children had been gathered around it; varicolored lights had glowed among its branches, which had been weighed down with presents and festooned with cranberries and popcorn.

Everybody was celebrating—everybody was happy—but nobody had a thought for

the mournful old Christmas tree. All the public interest was claimed by the flag. The spirit of the celebrants rose with the day and the old tree grew more miserable and angry.

By 11 o'clock at night it was so hot with indignation that it burst into flames. Anyway, that is one theory. Maybe the old tree just got patriotic. Maybe somebody set a match to it. At any rate, it flamed up, as heretofore mentioned, and many fire engines were called. The patriotic firemen refused to interfere with a Christmas tree's Fourth of July celebration, so the evergreen died gloriously.

brings about carelessness in respect to the increased cost of commodities.

"In order to get funds for our work, one must be so sensitive to the needs of a community as to get on the job at the time of greatest need, and that means to catch poverty in its early stage. District officers must be ready to go out an instant call and the workers must know their district. The tradespeople and neighbors of the poor must put us in touch with need wherever it occurs."

GOLF PLAYER DIES ON LANSDOWNE LINKS

Julian J. Keenan, Sr., Stricken With Heart Disease on Finishing Game

An attack of heart disease ended the life of Julian J. Keenan, Sr., of Lansdowne, just after he had finished eighteen holes of golf. The death occurred in the presence of dozens of golf players in the Lansdowne Country Club. He is survived by a widow, a son and daughter.

For twenty-four years Mr. Keenan lived in Lansdowne. He was well known in golf circles and for several years had been chairman of the house committee of the Lansdowne Country Club. Mr. Keenan was engaged in the metal business at 2101 Ludlow street. He was a native of Philadelphia and graduated from the Central High School. He finished his education in the seminary at Villanova.

Asks \$25,000 Damages for Shock

Asserting that his whole nature was changed through an electric shock which he sustained while driving over a broken trolley wire on Warren avenue, Beverly, George M. Allen, of Burlington, N. J., today brought suit against the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad for \$25,000.

"4th" Hurt 11 Years Ago, Now Hurts

On July 4, 1906, Thomas Gerity, twenty-one years old, of 242 North Eleventh street, suffered an injury to his right hand while playing with a revolver. Yesterday, or eleven years after the accident, Gerity felt sharp pains in his hand and went to the Hahnemann Hospital. Physicians said a part of the blank cartridge wadding that

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